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In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277
 Fernando L. ALVARADO, et al. : Confirmation Number: 5984
 Application No.: 09/522,709 : Group Art Unit: 3624
 Filed: March 10, 2000 : Examiner: S. Snapp

For: METHOD FOR MANAGING RISK IN MARKETS RELATED TO COMMODITIES DELIVERED OVER A NETWORK

Mail Stop Amendment
 Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.
 Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27
 Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	16	20	0	\$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	8	8	0	\$88.00 =	\$0.00
Multiple claims newly presented					\$0.00
Fee for extension of time					\$430.00
					\$0.00
Total of Above Calculations					\$430.00

Please charge my Deposit Account No. 500417 in the amount of \$430.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed on June 28, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on September 28, 2004, a petition for a two month extension of time, up to November 28, 2004 being submitted herewith, please amend the above identified application as follows: